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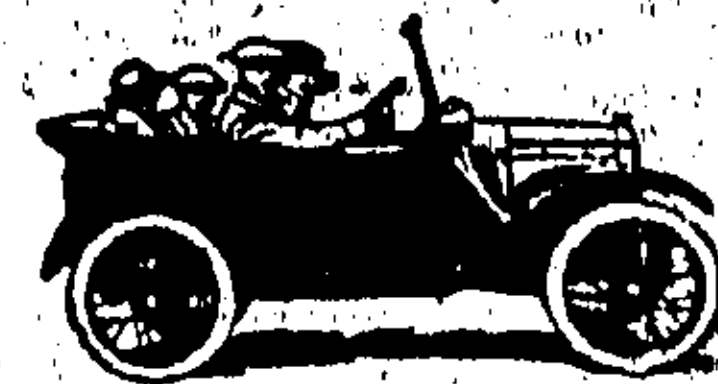
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BIG WILL MYSTERY.

A MILLION DOLLARS INVOLVED.

SEQUEL IN COURT TO-DAY.

Secret Kept For Twenty Years.

After twenty years of secrecy as to the whereabouts of the will of a Hongkong millionaire a grandson of the deceased has caused to be put in hand proceedings which resulted in the appearance this morning before the Chief Justice of the two sons and other interested persons.

The amount of money concerned in the will was approximately a million dollars, this having been amassed by the deceased (Chan Afong) in the course of his dealings as a sugar planter in the Hawaiian Islands.

The proceedings which opened this morning were in accordance with an order made by Mr. Justice H. H. J. Gompertz, who when he had heard evidence in Chambers ordered that the surviving sons of the deceased and others should be called to give evidence before the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Cowper Gollan, as to their knowledge of the whereabouts of the will during the lengthy period that has elapsed since the death of Chan Afong.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., appeared with Mr. Elsie Zeitlyn for Chan Wing-on, the grandson, and Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., and Mr. F. C. Jenkin for the several witnesses called for examination.

The solicitors who respectively instructed counsel were Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton and Messrs. Lo & Lo. Counsel for the defence asked for a restriction of any roving commission for examination of witnesses that opposing counsel might think they had and His Lordship made it clear that there must be no questions concerned with the position of the whole estate but merely dealing with the knowledge which witnesses might have of the whereabouts of the will.

Mr. Potter said he thought some kind of opening statement should be made and he was allowed to detail some of the main events concerned with the case. At the time of Chan Afong's death in 1905 there were surviving him two sons by his Chinese *kit fuet* and one by his Hawaiian concubine. These were Chan Lung, Chan King-lue and Chan Chik-lue, respectively. Chan King-lue had since died.

No letters of administration had ever been taken out in connection with the will of the deceased which itself had never been produced, said Mr. Potter, nor any documents of a testamentary character during the whole of the period that had elapsed until a few days before the commencement of these proceedings when a document had been handed in which was claimed to be the original will.

The applicant in this case (Chan Wing-on) was the son of the eldest son of the deceased and he had been told at various times by his deceased uncle Chan King-lue that Chan Afong had left a will and that he (Chan Wing-on) had benefited by it. He had in fact been given \$40,000 which was said to be the amount left to him but no will had been produced at the time. The applicant had been led to take proceedings in the conviction that his uncles whom he had repeatedly asked to, had no intention of disclosing the will.

The translation of the document which was alleged to be the will was read in court and under this the amount left to the grandson was the amount he had received. According to this, also, the three sons of the deceased were to get \$150,000 each.

The validity of this document will not be argued at this hearing, counsel being restricted to cross-examination of material witnesses. It was stated by the executor of the deceased brother (Chan King-lue) that the document was found in his (Chan King-lue's) safe.

The wording of this alleged will is in parts to the European mind, at any rate, extremely quaint.

"It is my earnest hope," it runs, "that the whole household will conduct themselves amicably towards one another and that they will have their meals together."

In another passage is expressed the hope that the instructions will be carried out "in order that my spirit may thereby become re-

posed so as to be able to invoke the blessing of my ancestors."

A reserve is ordered to be kept for the observance of ancestral worship and another for the annual payment to the widows of the ancestral village of \$200.

Cross-examination of witnesses as to their knowledge of the whereabouts of the will in the long interval that elapsed before it was made public is still continuing.

ALLIED DEBTS.

COMPROMISE BETWEEN
BRITAIN & U. S.

FAR-REACHING EFFECT.

America Now In Reparations Pool.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, January 11.

It is learned that the details of the agreement of the Finance Conference published from a French source are mainly accurate as regards broad principles, but any figures of the amounts payable by the different Powers are mere guesses, inasmuch as important factors, such as the total German deliveries in kind during the occupation of the Ruhr are subject to revaluation by the Reparations Commission.

It has been agreed that Belgium will receive the full eight per cent. of reparations during the first Dawes year, and possibly the second, if necessary, in order to

PIRATES TERRORISED.

HONGKONG EUROPEAN'S EXPLOIT.

A VILLAGE SAVED.

Successful Ruse Scares Robbers.

Were it not for the promptitude and courage of a prominent European resident and his son, a Hongkong village might have been entirely ransacked last night.

Out at Telegraph Bay, which was the favourite resort of truant schoolboy swimmers of two and three decades ago, lies a little hamlet consisting of some huts at the head of the bay and an isolated house here and there, at the foot of the hill which forms one of the Dairy Farm Co.'s properties.

Not far from the village, along Jubilee Road, from which a bridle path leads down into Telegraph Bay, is the residence of Mr. John Arnold, secretary to the Hong-

kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.

On Mr. Arnold being informed that a robbery was in progress close to his house, he telephoned to the Central Police Station. Failing to get any satisfactory response from the Chinese clerk in charge of the telephone, Mr. Arnold, accompanied by his son, proceeded to the village.

From some distance off, Mr. Arnold heard shouts and cries. He learned that a pirate horde of ten strong had entered the village and were terrorising the inhabitants. Little could be seen in the confusion and darkness. As both Mr. Arnold, sen., and Mr. Arnold, jun., were armed with rifles and revolvers, they decided to fire into the air, over the heads of the gang.

Their ruse proved immediately successful as the gang decamped forthwith and peace was restored.

In her report to the Police, a married woman, gave the number of robbers as six. She lived at an un-numbered house, detached from the village.

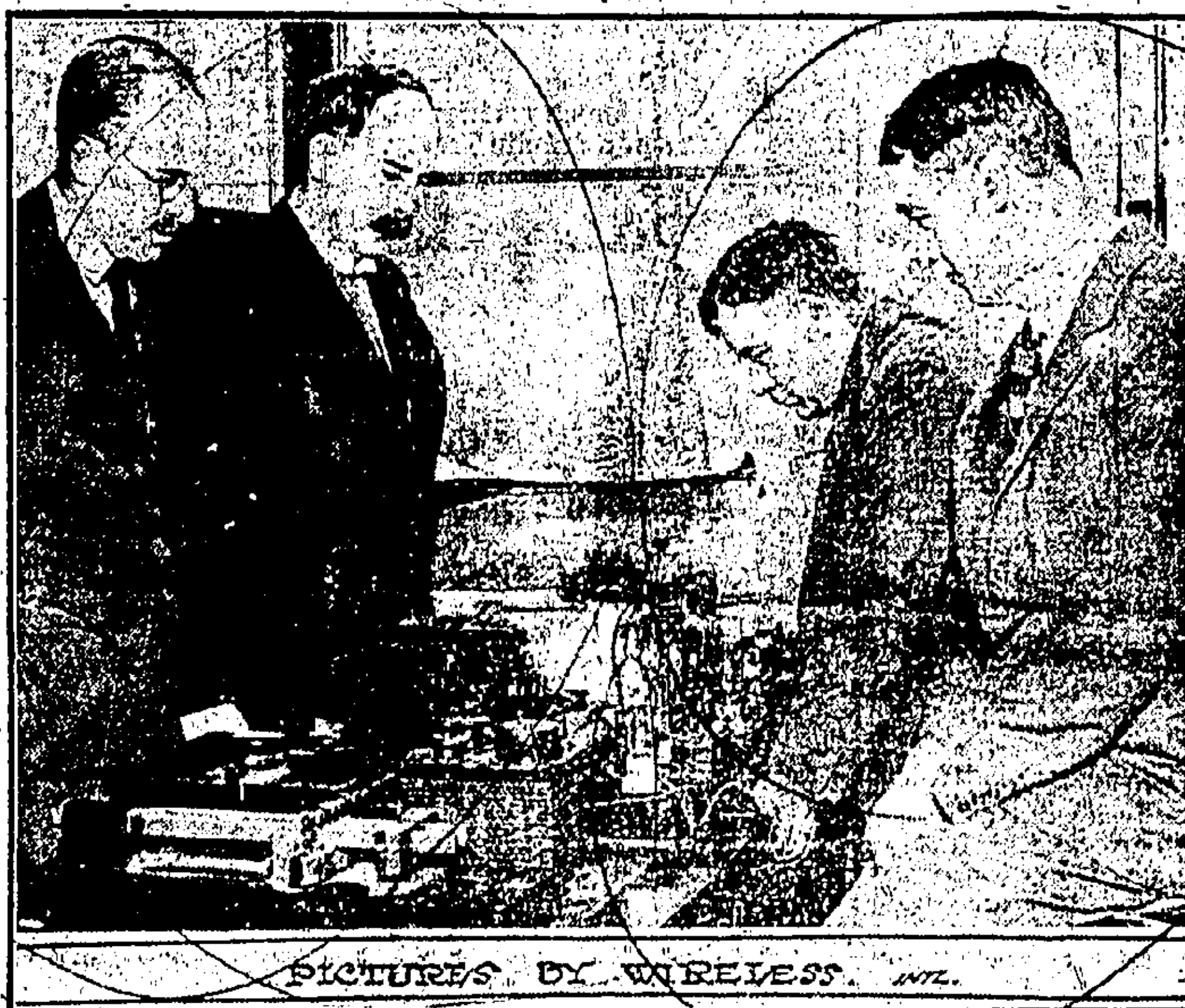
Her version is that she was standing at the door when the whole gang accosted her and requested accommodation for the night.

Upon her refusing, the miscreants produced a revolver and a dagger. Three rushed past her into the house while the other three surrounded her with their weapons.

In the meantime, her sister and brother-in-law had escaped. It was their action which resulted in a general alarm for the whole village and word reaching Mr. Arnold's house up the hillside.

It is also stated that the robbers fled when they realised their position but they had partially accomplished their purpose as they managed to get hold of \$35 in cash.

SENDING FIRST RADIO PICTURES ACROSS OCEAN.



Mr. G. Whitmore, director of communications for the Marconi Company, and Mr. D. G. Ward, radio engineer, are shown watching the transmission from London to New York of the first pictures ever sent over the ocean by wireless. The photograph was taken at the Radio House, Wilson Street, Finsbury Square, London.

AN EGYPTIAN CASE.

RELEASE OF PROMINENT
ZAGLULIST.

(Reuter's Service.)

CAIRO, January 11.

Abdel Rahman has been released on the ground of lack of evidence.

A Cairo message of November 27 stated—Dramatic arrests were carried out by the British military authorities at night time. Prominent Zaglulists were surprised whilst abed and removed to an unknown destination. These are Nakrashi, ex-Under-Secretary for the Interior; Abdel Rahman Fahmy, who was imprisoned in 1921 in connection with a conspiracy case and subsequently released when Zaglul Pasha took office; and William Makra Mobeid, a prominent Coptic Waftdite, who was recently in London with Zaglul.

GERMAN CABINET.

DR. LUTHER'S TASK NOT
COMPLETED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, January 11.

The Finance Minister, Dr. Luther, whom President Ebert invited to form a Ministry, has not yet succeeded to secure the support of the Centre Party, which is necessary to enable him to rely on a majority in the Reichstag, but conversation with them and with other parties are continuing.

Paris, January 10.—M. Descamps, the French alpinist, has made best speed records for 100 and 200 kilometres for an aeroplane with a speed of 500 kils.—Havas.

extinguish her priority. Otherwise Belgium will receive during the second year 4 1/2 per cent, plus the residuum of two milliards gold marks priority conceded her, which has not yet been paid.

The sum of 180 million gold marks will be debited against the Dawes annuities for the costs of the Franco-Belgian armies of occupation. This will defray the cost of the difference between the maintenance of the troops in Germany and at home.

As regards the British-American agreement, the Army costs will be spread over twenty years from the date of the Wadsworth agreement in May, 1923, whilst the payment of reparations will be extended over the whole period of the Dawes annuities in the form of a fixed percentage, beginning from the extinction of Belgian priority.

The British have not accepted the American figure of \$350,000,000 for the American reparations, and the compromise agreement provides for an annual percentage, the capital value of this to be less than the American figure.

America will receive no interest except on the arrears between May, 1923, and the commencement of payments to America under the Dawes plan.

The British attach the greatest importance to this agreement, which brings America officially into the reparation pool.

According to two newspapers the American percentage of Germany's annual payments under the Dawes scheme will be effective on the extinction of the Belgian priority.

Japan's Demand.
Commenting on yesterday's meeting of the Allied Conference, the "Petit Parisien" says that Japan demanded 32,000,000 gold marks as repayment of her expenses in connection with the

occupation of Shantung. "Le Journal" says that the United States apparently accepted the principle of a five years' moratorium in regard to her debts.

The "Petit Journal" expresses the opinion that a suggestion that France and Italy will surrender a small percentage of their percentages of German payments, with a view to the extinction of the debt, will probably form the basis of discussion, anyhow with Britain.

The "Matin" says that if Britain agrees to take the Balfour Note as the basis of settlement, the French debt will be comparatively easy.

Smaller Powers.
The Committee of experts entrusted with the task of preparing the ground-work for the Financial Conference in the morning, heard statements from the Finance Ministers of smaller Powers, such as Roumania and Serbia, who did not participate in the preparation of the preliminary report and wished to protest against certain points in the report concerning them.

The Committee also heard Baron Ishii as regards Shantung, and the Brazilian Ambassador as regards German properties sequestered in Brazil.

All questions were settled to the satisfaction of the respective parties.

Italy's Position.
Paris, January 11.
It is announced here that Italy, who received in Germany, especially by deliveries in kind, more than her quota of ten per cent. under the Spa percentages, owes the reparations account 400,000,000 gold marks.

This surplus will be paid into the reparations account in ten yearly instalments from September, 1925, by a proportionate reduction of the Italian share of the annuities under the Dawes scheme.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

SOVIET TO ESTABLISH A
MONOPOLY.

PRICE OF PETROLEUM.

(Reuter's Service.)

Moscow, January 11.

The Soviet Government is considering a Bill to establish a wine and spirit monopoly.

The Naphtha Syndicate announces, according to the Rosta Agency, that during the past economic year, the Soviet exported 712,000 tons of petroleum compared with 210,000 in the year 1922-3. An article in the Pravda by M. Lemov, President of the Syndicate, asserts that the exports this year will total 1,224,000 tons, and that the price will be reduced by twenty per cent.

CAUCASUS COLD.

BLIZZARDS AND TIDAL
WAVES.

RAVAGES BY WOLVES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Moscow, January 11.

Fifty deaths from exposure are reported from Trans-Caucasia, where unusually severe weather continues with blizzards and tidal waves. Tens of thousands of cattle have perished.

Flocks of wolves, wild boars, and other animals have been driven from the mountains by hunger and are ravaging the Lowlands.

FRANCE AND THE SOVIET.

NEW AMBASSADOR AT
MOSCOW.

(Reuter's Service.)

Moscow, January 11.

M. Jean Herbet, has arrived here to assume the position of French Ambassador.

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1925.

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NOTICE.

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1.—NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of The Star Ferry Company, Limited, will be held at the office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 14th day of January, 1925, at noon when the subject of the Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution:—

(a) That the following Article shall be inserted after Article 110 of the Articles of Association:—

CAPITALISATION OF PROFITS AND CORRESPONDING NEW SHARES.

110a.—(a) The Company in General Meeting may at any time pass a Resolution to the effect that it is desirable to capitalise any sum or sums of money being part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund, and accordingly that such sum or sums be distributed as a bonus among the members in proportion to the shares held by them respectively, and that the Directors be authorised to distribute among the members any unissued shares or new shares or in like proportions.

(b) When any such Resolution as that referred to in the preceding paragraph shall have been passed, the Directors may allot and issue to the members as nearly as may be in proportion to the shares held by them respectively and in satisfaction of the said bonus, the unissued shares or new shares (credited as fully paid up shares) to the extent of the proportionate amount payable to such members in respect of the Reserve Fund, with full power to make such provisions by the issue of fractional certificates or otherwise as they may think expedient for the case of fractions, and prior to such allotment the Directors may authorise any person on behalf of the members to enter into any Agreement with the Company providing for the allotment through them of such shares credited as paid up shares as aforesaid, and in satisfaction as aforesaid, and any Agreement made under such authority shall be effective.

(c) It shall be no objection to Resolutions passed under paragraph (a) of this Article that they are passed at the meeting at which the Resolution introducing this Article is confirmed as a Special Resolution, provided that due notice of the intention to propose such first-mentioned Resolution shall have been given prior to the confirmatory meeting aforesaid.

2.—AND NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of The Star Ferry Company, Limited, will be held at the said office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, the 2nd day of February, 1925, at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Eight months ended on the 31st day of December, 1924.

3.—AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the said office of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, the 2nd day of February, 1925, immediately after the conclusion of the Annual Meeting for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above mentioned Meeting to be held on the 14th day of January, 1925, and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

4.—AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that an Ordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the said office of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., immediately after the conclusion of the last mentioned Meeting for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following further Resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions, namely:—

(b) That the authorised Capital of the Company (which is now \$400,000) consisting of 40,000 shares of the nominal value of \$10 each, all of which have been issued) be increased to \$1,000,000 by the creation of 60,000 additional shares of the nominal value of \$10 each.

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NOTICE OF ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 17th January, 1925, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Reports of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the period from the 28th December, 1923 to the 30th September, 1924, and also for election of Directors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 13th January to 17th January, 1925, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

EDWARD B. RAYMOND,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1925.

MARINE ENGINEERS' GUILD OF CHINA.

Hongkong Branch.

AN ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Guild Office, Sailors' Home, West Point, on TUESDAY, 13th January, 1925, at 5 o'clock P.M.

A full Attendance is requested in order that the affairs of the Guild may be brought up to date.

W. J. STOKES,

Branch Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1925.

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ANNUAL RACE MEETING 1925.

ENTRIES for the forthcoming Races close on Saturday, 10th January, 1925, at 3 p.m. and must be sent to the Secretary, c/o Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, on or before this date.

Entry Forms are now ready and can be had at the Jockey Club Stables, Race Course, Hongkong Club or Linstead & Davis.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1924.

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CHINA'S WARS.

HOW SNOW STOPPED A BATTLE.

Shanghai residents who, in spite of all the rumours of disturbances up-country, sought recreation and sport in houseboat trips during the New Year holidays, have returned with war stories, but they are somewhat of a mild nature. One party who went on a houseboat to the lake district report that there were signs of war all the way up the river and the creeks, all the really useful boats being in other hands than those of their owners, and the towns and villages all being sparsely populated. Once the houseboat was stopped by soldiers, but the latter were satisfied by their inspection and allowed the boat to go on.

When Saturday broke there appeared to be a chance of some real excitement, for field-guns, maxims and rifles suddenly were turned loose in the neighbourhood of Tung-shing, not far from Henli. The fighting was a long distance from the houseboat, but evidently the operations were extending over a considerable area, for parties of wounded were brought down to the beach and taken to a village on the other side. However, after the rivals had been pounding away at each other for half-an-hour, snow began to fall and put a sudden stop to the battle, which had not been resumed by the time the return trip was commenced. The houseboat travellers therefore were unable to ascertain exactly what men had been engaged and the result of the fight, if any, which most probably there was not.

The bones of a hippopotamus and a mammoth that lived in Trafalgar-square, London, in one of the milder periods of the Ice Age, possibly 100,000 years ago, have been found in sand and gravel thirty feet below the surface. Other bones, that have been dug up are those of the aurochs, or great ox, and a great antlered variety of the red deer. All the bones were fossilised.

IS THIS YOU?

Few people live in an eternal gloom. They believe themselves to be the object of all the vexations that beset mankind. Petty grievances and trivial troubles creep and irritate beyond endurance. They magnify little annoyances that would pass by others, people with stronger nerves, unnoticed.

Admit that you yourself feel like this at times—everybody does in the Far East. These fits of gloom and grumble are the clouds that precede the storm. They are the signals of over-exhaustion, and will recur with greater frequency as time goes on unless prompt measures are taken to set things right.

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Club de Recreo "A" v. Club de Recreo "B"

A very fine game was played on the Kowloon Football ground, when the Club de Recreo "A" met the Club de Recreo "B" team, the former winning by four goals to two. The Club de Recreo "B" played well throughout, and the game was not at all one-sided, as had been expected.

The game commenced with the Recreo "B" team doing the pressing, and it was not long before their efforts were rewarded, Pereira scoring with a very nice shot, which quite beat Silva. This enticed the "A" team to play considerably and it was not long before they equalised by Xavier scoring from a nice centre by Brown. Soon after they looked

like taking the lead but Furtess souled on the goal line, saving the "B" team's goal. Still pressing to secure the lead, Xavier once more got going, and again forced. Seemingly to be in a scoring mood Xavier followed on by trying to secure another but shot wide after beating the backs. Ogley then went forward Xavier going back, just before half-time. Half-time arrived without any further score.

Club de Recreo "A" 2 Club de Recreo "B" 1.

The second half commenced with the Recreo "A" pressing and soon after the start Furtess scored. They then got going in earnest and looked deadly. Brown sending in one of his lob shots but Fernandes gave a corner. Ogley then went back again Xavier once more coming up. Rocha got going and put in a beautiful shot but Fernandes saved. Club de Recreo "A" then got going and from a good forward movement Pereira once again scored. The Club "A" retaliated by going down and Xavier added his third goal to the score. Though both sides tried hard neither were able to increase their score, before the while blew for time.

Comment.

Club de Recreo "B" played one of their best games this season and gave the "A" eleven a very good run for their money. For

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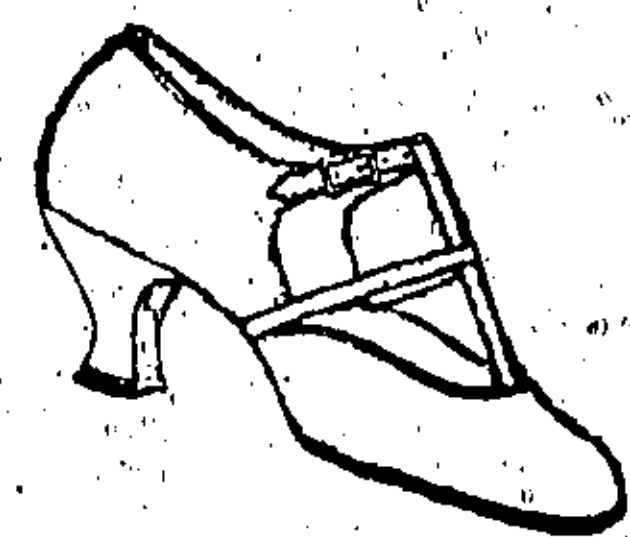
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The family and relatives of the
late Mr. B. Suffiad tender their
heartfelt thanks to all their
friends for their kind messages
of sympathy in their recent
bereavement, for the beautiful
wreaths sent, and for their atten-
dant at the funeral.

BIRTH.

SILCOCK.—On December 5, 1924,
to Mr. and Mrs. Arnold
Silcock, Chengtu, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

PARR—COSTAIN.—On January
5, 1925, at Shanghai, Marjorie
Emily Costain, to Arthur
Parr, both of Liverpool, Eng-
land.

Hongkong, Monday, January 12, 1925.

**AIRSHIPS AND IMPERIAL
COMMUNICATIONS.**

Owing to the persistent pro-
crastination of the Imperial
Government in coming to a
decision in respect of the Burney
airship scheme, which provides
for a service, first to Egypt, next
to India and, in its third phase of
development, to Australia, the
United States—quicker to realise
the value of the airship as a
commercial factor, has secured a
pronounced lead of the Empire.
Captain Burney's scheme has been
definitely approved, but it will
probably take two years at least
before Britain can attain to a
position which America, in this
field of enterprise now occupies.
Already the American ZRI, better
known as the "Shenandoah" is on
service, while early this year it is
hoped to establish a regular trans-
Atlantic service with the ZR3,
renamed "The Los Angeles." This
vessel is a Zeppelin airship, built
in Germany, to replace one that
should have been surrendered to
the United States under the peace
settlement. She was manned for
her initial voyage across the
Atlantic by a German crew, and
travelled by way of France, Spain,
and the South Atlantic, to New
Jersey, a distance of 4,500

miles. The ZR3 carries 30
passengers, and their luggage,
and a crew of 24. She is to be
employed on a mail service
between New York and London,
occupying two days on the
journey. The ship is 656 feet in
length, she has a gas capacity of
2,500,000 cubic feet, and is capable
of a non-stop flight of 7,600 miles.
She could, therefore, if required,
make comfortably the voyage of
the Pacific, from San Francisco
to Hongkong. Her maximum speed
is 80 miles an hour, although her
normal speed is not as a rule to
exceed 50 miles. The Burney
scheme provides for a fleet of six
airships, each of which will have
a greater passenger capacity and
a faster normal speed than the
American ZR3. But the first of
these ships cannot, according to
Captain Burney himself, be com-
pleted for at least 18 months, nor
the entire fleet within a period
less than three years. In the
meantime, not only the United
States, but France and Germany,
and possibly Italy and Czecho-
Slovakia, are ahead of Britain.
France holds the world's duration
record, set up by the R34 on her
historic Atlantic voyage, and the
French airship "Dixmude" made
a non-stop journey of 4,400 miles
in 118½ hours. When we reflect
on the importance to our own
Empire of rapid means of com-
munication as an Imperial nexus,
it is difficult to understand why a
supreme effort has not been made
by the British Government to
secure for the Empire the same
leading position in aerial shipping
as it occupies in the maritime
world.

Commerce With Germany.

Great Britain is still the only
one of the Allies to sign a new
Commercial Treaty; a provisional
agreement has been reached
between Italy and Germany per-
mitting a continuance of trade
relations after yesterday pending
the conclusion of a definite Treaty,
whilst the negotiations on similar
lines between France and Germany
have still proved abortive. This
unwanted stir in the commercial
relations of the Allies toward
Germany is due to Saturday last
being the date on which the com-
mercial privileges secured to the
Allies under the Treaty of Ver-
sailles came to an end. Great
Britain was wise in taking time
by the forelock and concluding a
Commercial Treaty on December
3 last, thus averting any danger
of entering into a commercial war.
We are now informed that, not-
withstanding the lapse of the Ver-
sailles Treaty, it is not believed
that the trading position between
Britain and Germany will be
changed. Therefore, Germany
extends to Britain the most
favoured-nation treatment with
reciprocity. It goes without say-
ing that, but for a continuance
of the most-favoured-nation treat-
ment, the Commercial Treaty
would not have been signed. This
is of special significance to
Britain's cotton trade, which has
been competing up to now with
goods sent through Alsace-
Lorraine to Germany without any
kind of hindrance. It may be
recalled that, under the Treaty of
Versailles, France obtained free-

dom from German Customs for
five years for the products of
Alsace-Lorraine; and that an
attempt, at the conclusion of the
London Conference to extend this
privilege for a further consider-
able term of years failed owing to
German opposition. The cotton
trade, or at least the finishing
industry, of Alsace-Lorraine
throve greatly under the pre-
ferential treatment; and, if it had
been prolonged, spinning mills and
weaving sheds might have been
erected to manufacture the cloth
which Alsace-Lorraine mostly got
from Lancashire. France having
failed so far in negotiating a new
Commercial Treaty, it is easy to
understand the trek of laden
vehicles, en route to Germany
from Alsace-Lorraine, on Satur-
day, to take advantage of the last
day for the entry of duty-free
goods.

Memories.

The launch by Messrs. Swan,
Hunter and Wigham Richardson
of the new British India steamer
"Santhia" leads a Home paper to
recall many memories in the East.
Her predecessor in the title was a
five thousand-ton cargo steamer,
with accommodation for a few
passengers, and was launched by
Messrs. Denny, of Dumbarton, in
1901, a unit of a huge class of
similar ships launched at various
yards between 1895 and 1901.
She was designed for the Indian
and Eastern trade, and it was
there that she spent the greater
part of her career, with occasional
runs down to Australia. During
the war she was left to her owners
when so many of her consorts
were commissioned by the authori-
ties, but that was not the only
occasion when she showed very
satisfactory financial results for
she was a steady dividend earner
with a remarkable freedom from
accident all through her career.
In 1923 she was sold to Japanese
owners, who kept her registered
at Dairen to avoid some of the
troublesome restrictions on for-
eign-built ships, and she has been
running from that port to various
points in the East ever since, with
occasional voyages across the
Pacific for timber and other sup-
plies for the relief of the earth-
quake sufferers. She is now the
"Shaka Maru," and has a very
good chance of running alongside
her successor to the name of
"Santhia" for many years to come
in Eastern waters.

A VETERAN CLERK.

MR. MAHMOOD BIN
SUFFIAD.

TWENTY YEARS' SERVICE.

It is with regret that the
"China Mail" records the death,
on Saturday, of Mr. Mahmood
Bin Suffiad, of the Colonial Secre-
tary's office, which occurred at his
residence, No. 169, Wongnei-
ching Road, at the age of 41
years.
Joining the Government service
on December 1, 1903, the late Mr.
Suffiad had been in the C.S.O. for
about 20 years, rising to a position
of much responsibility, being the
senior man in Grade I of the
Clerical Establishment. He was
of a retiring disposition and was
well liked by his colleagues in the
Civil Service. Much sympathy
will go out to his widow and six
children.

FUNERAL YESTERDAY.

The funeral took place yester-
day at the Mahomedan Cemetery.
A very large gathering at-
tended, including the Hon. Sir
Claude Severn (Colonial Secretary),
Mr. S. B. B. McDermott (Acting
Assistant Colonial Secretary),
Mr. A. E. Bullock (Chief Clerk,
C.S.O.), Mr. W. G. Fitzgibbon
(First Clerk, C.S.O.) and the
Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall (a
former colleague).
Wreaths were sent by—the
Hongkong Government, H.E. the
Governor, Sir Claude Severn, Mr.
A. G. M. Fletcher (Assistant
Colonial Secretary), Messrs.
McDermott, Bullock, Fitzgibbon,
the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. R. H.
Kotewall, Dr. and Mrs. C. H.
Wan and many others.

The latest golf story which
comes from Melbourne concerns a
person who has only lately taken
to the game. He was matched
with a player possessing a reputa-
tion rather for his language than
his ability on the putting green.
The event created a great deal
of interest, but there was dis-
appointment in the club-
house when it was found
that there was no breach between
the two—on the contrary, they
came back as good friends.
"His language!" echoed the
parson, when the question was
directly put to him. "Oh, yes; I
notice it. But then, golf is a very
er—difficult game for a clergyman
to play. I found it very convenient
when Mr. Brassierose to the height
of his—er, argument, as it were, to
er—say 'Heah, heah.'"

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

The following notices to
mariners are published in the cur-
rent "Government Gazette":

CEBU HARBOUR.

The second class black can buoy
No. 1 at the point of reef N. E.
of Bentolinas Point, northern
entrance of Cebu Harbour, has
been moved northward. The buoy
is now moored in 47 feet of water.
Sextant angles as follow:—
Right angle Pangtian Point to
Bagacay Point Lighthouse 78°.
50. Left angle Bagacay Point
Lighthouse to Point northeastern
coast to entrance of Cansaga Bay
100° 10'.

CORON PASSAGE.

The third class red nun buoy in
Coron Passage, Calamian Group,
has been reported missing. It will
be replaced to its former position
as soon as practicable and proper
notice will then be issued.

SAN BERNARDINO STRAIT.

The automatic acetylene flashing
white light on Calantas Rock,
western entrance of San Bernar-
dino Strait, has been reported not
burning. It will be relighted as
soon as practicable and proper
notice will then be issued.

SERIOUS OFFENCE.

**TWO GUNNERS WRONGLY
CHARGED.**

A. J. H. Pepler and W. Ivor
Juliff, gunners of the R.G.A., the
first of whom was charged last
Friday with a serious offence
against Tsai Yu-chu, eleven-year
old daughter of a Chinese clerk,
on a military path leading to Mount
Davis Battery on January 7, and
the second with aiding and abet-
ting, were again brought before
Mr. J. R. Wood at the Central
Magistracy this morning.
The men appeared to have been
wrongly charged, and were dis-
charged, the Magistrate remarking
that there was nothing against
them.

The major charge is now prefer-
red against another gunner, James
Ellement, who was remanded in
military custody until Monday
next, when a date will be fixed for
hearing.

ILLICIT ARMS.

**CHARGE AGAINST A BOAT
WOMAN.**

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at
the Kowloon Magistracy this
morning, a boat-woman was
charged with the possession of 15
revolvers, 7 pistols, and 9,200
rounds of ammunition.

The case was remanded, Mr.
N. F. Brewer appearing for the
accused.

The police withdrew charges
against two boys arrested for the
same offence.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this
morning, an order was made for
the confiscation of a revolver and
250 rounds of ammunition found
by Sergeant A. Kirby on a
"President" boat on December
31.

CONCEALED DAGGER.

**CHINESE OWNER SHOT
BY A DETECTIVE.**

A Chinese was taken to the
Government Civil Hospital last
night with a bullet wound in the
leg. The man took to flight, on
being accosted by a Chinese de-
tective at Des Voeux Road West,
but a bullet felled him. The in-
jured man had good grounds to
get away before a search was
carried out, as he had a dagger
concealed under his jacket.
A stray bullet from the de-
tective's revolver grazed the shin
of a Chinese passer-by, who also
had to be removed to hospital.

"SAINT JOAN."

Those attending to-night's open-
ing performance are reminded
that it commences promptly at
9 and that latecomers will only be
admitted at the conclusion of
Scene 1. This will operate
throughout the season.

The matinee will take place on
Wednesday at 4.30 p.m., and the
extra matinee on Wednesday
21 at the same hour.

HOCKEY.

H.K.H.C. 1st XI V H.M.S.
"HAWKINS"

The following will represent the
H.K.H.C. 1st XI against H.M.S.
"Hawkins" on Wednesday at the
U.S.R.C. at 5 p.m. sharp:

P. W. F. Mills, H. Owen
Hughes, A. A. Dand, the Rev.
E. W. L. Martin, E. J. R.
Mitchell (captain), L. P. Ralphs,
G. R. More, H. R. Meacock, L.
Jones, E. L. Sim, and T. J. Price.

CORRESPONDENCE.

HONGKONG EDUCATION.

[To the Editor of the China Mail.]

Sir,—To one who has but the
slightest interest in the educational
system of this Colony, even a cursory
glance at the results of the Uni-
versity of Hongkong Junior exam-
reveals some striking as well as
startling facts. In the first place,
it is noticeable that a considerable
less than the usual percentage of
candidates were successful.
Many were "floored." We wonder
why. Perhaps the standard of
these unhappy warriors was far
below that of their luckier
predecessors, and unless this is
so, there is no reason why the
percentage of passes does not
come nearly so high or low, which
ever it is, as in previous years.
This process of eliminating un-
desirable entrants into the uni-
versity by means of such exams
as the matriculation may be a wise
policy but not altogether a sound
one at this stage. If, by judging
from the results you published last
night, the attainments in English
of most schools in the Colony are at
their low water mark, then it is up
to the University authorities and
nobody else to see that the
standard is put up a little higher.
The course of public exams, such
as these, is already too well
known. How much decent English
can any school boy or girl learn
under the present system of the
subject in preparation for exams?
Do the University authorities
realise that learning one
textbook in English as pre-
scribed for these exams does
not give the poor candidate even a
"peep" into anything which may
be called literature, far less the
slightest command of the language?
What about conducting the exam
in English on lines similar
to the Oxford and Cambridge
Local Exams? As it is, candi-
dates are set up with
a very narrow-minded notion
of English literature. They could
perhaps "spout" to you the whole
of their textbook; but surely that
is not learning English.
Thanking you for your courtesy,
Yours, etc.

ANTI-EXAMS.

POLICE PLEASE NOTE.

[To the Editor of the China Mail.]

Sir,—Is it not time that the
Hongkong Government, with its
enormous surplus funds employed
at Police Headquarters, a clerk
who has a knowledge of the
English language?

Last evening I was informed
that a band of some 10 armed
robbers was attacking the in-
habitants of a village below my
house at Pokfulam (Telegraph
Bay).

A telephone message was sent
to Police Headquarters, and the
only reply received from the
clerk in charge of the telephone
was something in Chinese.

The same "thing" happened
about seven months ago when I
telephoned Central Police Station
that my chauffeur had nearly
murdered his wife. It was nearly
one hour, after ringing up about
10 times, that I got a European
Officer on the telephone.

Yours etc.,

JOHN ARNOLD.
Hongkong, Canton and Macao
Steamboat Co., Ltd.
January 12, 1924.

IN CHINESE SERVICE.

**STARTLING REPORT OF
"THE AMHERST."**

A CHEQUERED CAREER.

"S.S. 'Amherst' at Holbow as
Chinese gunboat," was the rather
startling report brought in by the
"Borneo."

Most of the shipping community
will recall the name of this sturdy
little ship which was once a
regular caller at Hongkong.

Before coming up to Hongkong,
she was in the stone-carrying trade
at Singapore. She was purchased
at the height of the boom during
the War by a Hongkong merchant
but was under requisition by the
Straits Government for some time
and did not get here till the War
was over.

Captain T. Thirlwell now in
charge of the Talook Dock tug,
was given command and, in spite
of her small size, ran regularly
from this port to Adelaide and
Freemantle bringing up cargoes
of sandalwood.

Captains J. Anderson and Jones
(not the present master of the
"Chuen Chow") also had the
command at different periods.

"Lloyd's Register" for 1924
gives the "Amherst's" net tonnage
as 241 tons, owned by the On Fat
S.S. Co. and under the British flag.

Unofficial history records that
she was sold by her original buyers
and that she passed from the
British to the Chinese, then the
Chilean—and again back to the
Chinese flag.

Now seem to recall her passing
into the hands of the Chinese
Government, but some think that
she may have met a fate, similar to
that of the "Hok Canba," and was
taken over by Chinese naval forces.
The "Amherst" is an iron
vessel, built in 1886 at Port Glas-
gow, by Blackwood and Gordon.

KOWLOON WEDDING.

PRETTY CEREMONY AT ST. ANDREW'S.

WOODWARD-WYATT.

A pretty wedding took place at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Saturday. The contracting parties being Mr. William Woodward, engineer of the P. & O. D. younger son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Woodward of Parkington, Muncie, Ind., and Miss Margaret Mary Wyatt, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Wyatt, of Mickleton, Gloucestershire. The Rev. G. B. Landis officiated.

The bride was given away by Mr. E. Packham and was attired in a dress of cream tulle with a train of acedon pleated georgette edged with deep silk fringe, and carried a beautiful bouquet of white roses and sweet peas with maiden hair fern.

Miss Edith Packham, who attended the bride as bridesmaid, wore a dress of pale mauve silk with stockings and hat to match and gold shoes. She carried a bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums.

The mother of the bride, Mrs. E. Packham, was dressed in a light brown crepe-de-chine embroidered in gold, with brown hat to match.

Mr. W. W. Bishop was best man.

A reception was held at No. 1, Kimberley Villas, Kowloon, after which the happy couple left for Taipei, where the honeymoon is being spent. The bride is going away dressed in a dress of cream tulle with stockings and hat to match and gold shoes. She carried a bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums.

A YEAR TO ANALYSE.

CHARGE AGAINST INDIAN DOCTOR.

MAGISTRATE'S WARNING.

At the Kowloon Magistracy, on Saturday, the case against Karam Bux, the Indian doctor charged with unlawful possession of poison, was continued. Mr. H. J. Armstrong appearing for the defence.

Captain Bloxham, who prosecuted, stated that the Government Analyst had not yet completed his examination of the bottle seized, but arsenic had been found, and some of the bottles contained prepared poison which might possibly require more than one year to analyse. The prosecution would, however, be ready to go on in about a week's time. The defence raising no objections, a remand was ordered for one week.

On a request made by Captain Bloxham, the Magistrate issued a warning that any person found attempting to influence the witnesses would be severely punished.

WHOSE SILK?

CHARGES AGAINST R.A.O.C. PRIVATE.

William Lane and Richard Fitzgerald, private of the R.A.O.C., had several charges preferred against them at the Central Magistracy this morning before Mr. N. L. Smith.

The first was charged with obtaining by false pretences silk goods to the value of \$140.20 from the Pioneer Silk Store on January 3, and with pawning some clothing under a false name and address.

The charge against the other was that of obtaining by false pretences silk goods to the value of \$67.50 from the same establishment, and a further lot valued at \$61.50 from Messrs. Pohomou Brothers.

Both the accused were remanded in military custody until Wednesday as they expressed a desire to take legal advice.

MAN OVERBOARD.

CHINESE PASSENGER'S RESCUE.

A. the R.I. steamer "Tanda" was passing Waikanae Light-house on her way here from Calcutta via Singapore, a Chinese male passenger jumped overboard.

On the alarm being raised, the ship slowed down.

A boat was lowered and the man picked up. He showed, according to the report furnished to the Harbour Office, "no serious results."

A WARDER'S LAPSE.

CARRYING LETTER FOR INDIAN PRISONER.

Before Mr. N. L. Smith at the Central Magistracy this morning, an Indian warder with six weeks' service at the jail, was charged with breach of duty.

The offence was that of being found carrying a letter from one of the Indian prisoners to some outside person, which was considered by the C.S.P. to be a serious one.

The accused was fined \$100 or six weeks' hard labour.

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PROSPECTS REVIEWED.

In face of the extraordinary depression in the shipping industry, it is a remarkable tribute to the skill with which the P. & O. Company has been managed that it has been found possible to show for the working of the past financial year a credit balance of over £1,000,000, a figure which constitutes a definite improvement on the results for the two preceding years, says the "Liverpool Journal of Commerce." This satisfactory issue of the period of working ended September 30 last has been achieved, it should be noted, after making provision, as in the year 1922, for discount and other charges in respect of the issue of debenture stock. The amount appropriated for dividends is the same as for the financial years 1921-22 and 1922-23, and the rate paid on the deferred stock of the company is therefore once more 12 per cent. The balance carried forward is practically the same as before. The reserve fund now amounts to £1,607,950 the Contingent Fund to £1,000,000, and the Insurance Fund to £3,218,081. Careless critics will no doubt attempt to read into these figures the fact that the position of the shipping industry is less depressed than would appear on the surface, but the truth is that this great enterprise is only able to show a financial position which is admittedly strong as the result of a conservative financial policy extending over a long series of years, and the determination of those responsible for the operations of the company to conserve its resources against such periods of undue depression as that with which shipowners are now confronted.

REBUILDING THE FLEET.

The list of the P. & O. ships and those of affiliated undertakings which accompanies the report shows a total of 1,369,784 tons, including the eight vessels now building—the P. and O. tonnage being 615,866 and the British India 753,918 tons. There is ample evidence that the board is steadily following a policy of bringing the services operated back to the old high standard of efficiency. War losses have not yet been made good, but it is good news that there is every prospect of a reversion next year to the full pre-war schedule on all routes. Five of the older ships, the Plassy, Syria, Poona, Palermo, and Palma, have been disposed of to shipbreakers. These vessels have given the company good service, but they were all over twenty years old and were reaching the obsolescent stage, judged by the high standard aimed at by the P. & O. Company. Those fine new ships, the Mooltan and Maloja, will be reinforced in the spring by the Razmak, which is now being fitted out at Belfast. Other ships which are in hand include Ranpara, which has been launched, and the Ranchi, which should reach the launching stage by the end of the year, and the Rawalpindi and the Rajputana, which should be added to the Bombay line next year. The Cathay, Comorin, and Chitral will go into service on the Australian route this year. The vessels in hand will represent an addition to the company's fleet of about 120,000 tons. This represents a policy of making provision for the needs of the future on which the board are to be congratulated, and it may be pointed out that all the vessels disposed of had been written down to nominal values in the books of the company, so that their sales have realised a surplus which has been applied in the reduction of the book value of the fleet.

POSITION AND PROSPECTS.

If one turns to the report with the object of obtaining light on the position of the shipping trade it cannot be said that the information revealed is calculated to encourage any optimism. Trade conditions in all the company's spheres of operation have been very difficult during the last twelve months, and it is stated that signs which were apparent a year ago of a slight improvement in outward trade has not been confirmed by experience, and, as might have been expected, recent events in China have affected both outward and homebound business with the Far East. Passenger traffic fortunately is being maintained, and with the advent of the new ships there should certainly be no falling off in this branch of the company's business. Taking a broad view, it is clear that this great shipping line is worthily maintaining its high prestige, and is keeping well abreast of modern requirements in those matters which count in the efficient operation of merchant services. The time is not yet opportune for the replacement of its fleet of steamships by motor-propelled vessels, but the advent of the large motor liner is not far distant, and the policy of the company when ordering new ships during the next few years will go far to determine the attitude

YUNNANESE ARMY.

DR. SUN YAT-SEN'S FIGHTING STRENGTH.

THE FORCES IN CANTON.

A special article in the "Wah Tsat Yat Po" gives the following figures in relation to the strength of the Yunnanese army in Canton which forms the main fighting strength of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's government:—

General Young Hsi-man, commander-in-chief and commanding the 1st Army, comprising:—

1st division of 1,600 men under Chiu Sing-leung; 2nd division of 1,400 men under Liu Hang-chiu; 4th division of 800 men under Chu Sai-kwai; a total of 3,800 men.

2nd Army commanded by General Fan Sek-sang, comprising:—

3rd division of 4,000 men commanded by General Fan himself; a brigade of military guards (about 1,000 men) under Commander Wah; a total of about 5,000 men.

3rd Army commanded by Lieut.-General Wu Si-shun, comprising:—

5th division of 2,000 men commanded by Lieut.-General Wu himself; 6th division of 900 men under Wu Si-chung (the Army commander's brother); and an autonomous brigade of 1,000 men under Brigadier Wan; a total of about 3,900 men.

This gives the Yunnanese a grand total of approximately 12,700 men which does not necessarily indicate the full number of bayonets.

It is interesting to note that each detachment is not appointed to any one particular district. According to the "Wah Tsat Yat Po" each division is broken up and spread over a number of garrison districts, extending from the East River to Kwangtung's Northern border regions.

A division of several hundreds may seem strange to those unacquainted with Chinese warfare. In the last few years, military leaders in China, and particularly in the South, have given themselves any rank they pleased, since there was no central authority. Prior to Dr. Sun's return to Canton in the beginning of 1923, there were as many as 50 to 100 "generals" and "commanders-in-chief" whose following composed nothing more than a headquarters establishment of about a dozen men. It soon became a case of the survival of the fittest and the weaker ones went to the wall. The practice of exaggerating is not so much to deceive the enemy but to increase one's prestige and to enhance a commander's standing from the point of view of the civil population.

PREMYSLAV.

APPRECIATIVE CITY HALL AUDIENCE.

SUCCESSFUL RECITAL.

No strangers to Hongkong or the musical world are Leopold Premyslav and his talented wife. The charm of the items given on the occasion of their last visit here being of the quality that lingers, there was a large audience at the City Hall on Saturday evening when Mr. and Mrs. Premyslav gave the first of two concerts that are to be held in Hongkong before they leave for a tour of Australia and New Zealand.

Both artists have a mastery of their instrument which draws from it emotional expression which can only be described as amazing, even when one considers the extent to which musicianly accomplishments may become a part of one's M. Premyslav gave Mendelssohn's "Concerto in E minor" and later a Slavonic dance by Dvorak and "La Ronde des Lutins" by Bazzani. Madame Premyslav was warmly applauded for a suite by Locatelli and her later items, Menuet (Becker), Elegie (Tchaikowsky) and Vito (Popper). The concerted item "Passacaglia" was given by special request.

Mr. Harry Ore, the well known local pianist and composer, was the accompanist.

A second concert will be given in the Star Theatre, Kowloon, this evening.

Of shipowners towards the adoption of the internal-combustion engine for passenger ships of large tonnage.

CHEFOO NOTES.

A DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

FIRE BRIGADE CONCERT.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Chefoo, January 2.

A big fire occurred on the evening of December 16, when the godown and part of the offices of Messrs. Holyoak, Massey & Co., Ltd., were completely gutted. It was only owing to the prompt and determined efforts of the local Volunteer Fire Brigade that the fire did not spread considerably; the Russo-Asiatic Bank which adjoins Messrs. Holyoak and Massey's offices, having a narrow escape.

Fortunately the majority of the official books and papers were saved, together with a valuable stock of pongee silk. The damage to stock, furniture, and fittings, both completely lost and that only partly spoiled, is estimated at about Ch. Tls. 125,000.00. This includes both compradore's and firm's losses; but the complete loss is covered by insurance. The property belongs to the Russo-Asiatic Bank, whose insurance will by no means cover the cost of rebuilding the block, if they decide to do so. The local Managers of Messrs. Holyoak, Massey and Co. showed enterprise by having printed notices posted on the scene of the fire by eleven o'clock the next morning, stating that business was being carried on as usual in temporary offices nearby.

A concert was held on the evening of December 20 to raise funds to assist our local Volunteer Fire Brigade. Almost all the local talent assisted, there being songs, Spanish and Greek dances, instrumental music, and two plays, "Another Pair of Spectacles," and a longer piece, "Little Red Riding Hood" in three acts. The concert, which was held at the Chefoo Club, was well patronised, a total of \$505.40, after one or two small expenses had been deducted, being handed over to the Captain of the Fire Brigade. During the course of the concert an engraved helmet was presented to Mr. D. Cappelen, who retired at the beginning of 1924 from the position of Captain, which he had held for thirteen years. A novel feature was a "silent" auction, when all wrote their bids down on a slip of paper, and had to pay regardless of winning or not. A sum of over \$140 was raised in this way. The auction was won by Mr. Li Tsai-chi, who received the silver Cup which had been presented for it.

The China Inland Mission school children had their annual Christmas Tree during the afternoon of Christmas Day, when Mr. W. G. Bobby ably played the part of old Father Christmas.

The Navy Y.M.C.A. closed down on December 26, after having done a fine lot of good solid hard work during the past six months for the benefit of the officers and men of the U.S. Fleet, who have been in port here.

A mixed hockey match was played between the C.I.M. Schools and a Settlement team on the morning of Boxing Day, when the score was 5 goals all. A return match was played the next afternoon when the Settlement players beat the girls and boys by 5 goals to 4. This was a real good game, the result being difficult to foretell right up to the last minute. The Settlement forwards played well, and Mr. Murray was strong as full back. All this week the Schools have been occupied with hockey cake matches. On the 29th Ford's team beat Ruth Dille's team by 5 to 2; and Edgar's team won from Maud Hutson's team by 6 to 1. The teams each consisted of three girls and three boys. On the 30th Edgar's side beat Ford's by 3 goals to 0; and Maud Hutson and Ruth Dille drew, no goals being scored by either side. On January 1, Ford's side won from Maud Hutson's by 3 goals to nil; and to-day Edgar's beat Ruth Dille's by 5 to 0. Edgar's side won all three of their games and thus also won the cake, which was presented by Mr. Robert L. Faers, on behalf of the donors, the Rev. A. H. Faers and Mrs. Faers.

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TUNG WAH HOSPITAL.

APPOINTMENT OF NEW DIRECTORS.

UNIQUE CEREMONY.

The appointment of new directors of the Tung Wah Hospital was made at an interesting ceremony yesterday when the old directors met together to welcome their successors.

The hall was decorated in Chinese style, an image of Sun Lung, who introduced medicine into China, being prominently displayed on a long table containing candle-sticks, incense burners, and other material. Mr. M. Chu-chiu, the new Chairman, led the new directors into the hall, followed by officials of the Po Leung Kok. After the new directors had been greeted by the chairman and retiring officers, the accounts of the hospital were glanced through, and all present bowed to the image of Sun Lung.

The new directors were entertained to a dinner in the hall of the hospital last evening, European and Chinese doctors connected with other institutions being also present.

The present directorate comprises:—Messrs. Ma Chu-chiu, Mok Ching-kong, Kong Shiu-lui, Fung Sui-wai, So Sau-nam, Tse Fan-shiu, Kung Yuk-man, Tse Yat-chor, J. N. Chau, Ng Tsang-luk, Chan Siu-hing, Choa Po-yiu, Chu Chik-man and Chan Foon-tin.

RACE MEETING.

LARGE ENTRY FOR THIS YEAR.

Entries closed on Saturday afternoon for the annual race meeting to be conducted at Happy Valley on February 16, 17, 18 and 21.

It is gratifying to state that the entries constitute a record, and owners of ponies are warmly to be commended for backing up the Jockey Club so strongly. Incidentally, it is a feather in the cap of Mr. C. B. Brown and his co-officials and committee, all of whom are naturally elated.

Over sixty owners are represented in the entries, and some stables have four or five and even more animals entered. In all, there are nearly 200 horses to be handicapped for the four days of the meeting.

It would not interest our racing readers to give a full list of the entries at this juncture—a string of names cannot convey much. The handicaps and acceptances are what matter most, and as soon as the former are framed by the handicapper an official list will be published in the Press.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised in The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

January 12.—Coronet Theatre: "Rosita."

January 12.—Star Theatre: "The Western Gallop."

January 12.—Queen's Theatre: "Within The Law."

January 12.—World Theatre: "The Love Pirate."

January 12, 13, 15, 16 and 17.—Hongkong A.D.C.'s production, "St. Joan," 9 p.m. January 14, and 17, matinee at 4.30 p.m.

January 12.—Concert at Star Theatre, by the world-famous Polish musicians, Eugene and Leopold Premyslav, 9.15 p.m.

SOCIAL.

January 23.—Fancy Dress Ball in the Grill Room, Hongkong Hotel, 8 p.m. to midnight.

SPORTS.

January 31.—Hongkong Boxing Association tournament in City Hall.

February 16-17-18-21.—Hongkong Jockey Club Annual Race Meetings.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

January 14.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Room, evening and afternoon gowns from Paris, embroidered lace and insertions, and white flannel, 11 a.m.

January 16.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Room, postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

January 14.—Extraordinary General Meeting of the Star Ferry Co., Ltd., at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's office room, noon.

January 17.—First ordinary meeting of the Hongkong Development, Building and Savings Society, Ltd., at the City Hall, Hall, noon.

February 2.—Twenty-seventh annual meeting of the Star Ferry Co., Ltd., at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's, at noon.

OTHER MEETINGS.

January 18.—Meeting of members of the Marine Engineers' Guild of China at Sailors' Home, West Point, 5 p.m.

January 30.—Annual meeting of seafarers and subscribers of St. John's Cathedral, in the Cathedral Hall, 5.45 p.m.

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Part 5.—(a) Andante moderato; (b) Adagio; Part 6.—(c) Allegretto; (d) Adagio ma non troppo;
Part 7.—(a) Allegretto; (b) Presto (First Half); Part 8.—Presto (Second Half);
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Prelude Grave
Mendel
Prelude
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

During the 48 hours ended yesterday two cases of diphtheria and one of enteric fever occurred in the Colony, all being Chinese.

A case of rabies is officially notified in the return issued by the Medical Officer of Health during the 48 hours ended yesterday.

The total output of the Kailan Mining administration's mines for the week ending December 27, amounted to 95,331 tons and the sales during the period to 32,856 tons.

During the voyage here from Haiphong and Hoihow, one of the s.s. "Borneo", quartermasters died, probably from dysentery or colic.

A fire at Apth Street, Sham-Sui-po on Saturday night, resulted in the destruction of a contractor's shed. The damage amounted to about \$100. Owing to the nature of the construction of the shed, the Kowloon Fire Brigade could do nothing on arrival.

After being holed through running aground some days ago, the Hongkong-Wuchow steamer "Kwong Yung" (Captain Williams) has returned to the Colony, accompanied by the "Kwong Hung". The vessel was damaged a little below Wuchow and has now gone to Sham-Sui-po for repairs.

Commencing on Saturday next there will be only one sailing to Canton, from Hongkong, on Saturday nights. It is understood that the Tung On S. S. Co. and the Canton Navigation Co. are discontinuing their Saturday services. This means that only the Steamboat Co.'s ship will be leaving Hongkong on Saturday and Canton on Sundays.

Owing to the extremely unsettled conditions in China, the National Flood Relief Drive under the joint auspices of the China International Famine Relief Commission and the Chinese National Red Cross is being closed down. Mr. Tse Fung will continue collecting funds for the drive in the South Seas. Contributions sent in after that date should be sent to the China International Famine Relief Commission, 6 Tsai Chang Hunting, Peking, where official receipts will be issued.

Shanghai on January 6 experienced its second snowfall of the season.

According to the Chinese press, 40 men of the defeated 4th Division have been executed at Sungkiang for looting.

Owing to the absence of the captain from port, a prosecution at the Marine Court this morning, against an Indian guard for absence from the steamer "Anjou" at Wuchow, was put back on the 1st pending the master's arrival.

A fire in the Californian oilfields has resulted in the death of one man and damage to property amounting to \$300,000. The outbreak occurred when a fire from a boiler ignited oil sprayed from a broken pipe.

Canada's revenue for the eight months of the fiscal year ending November was \$210,320,000 (a decrease of \$39,423,000 compared with the corresponding period of last year), and ordinary expenditure was \$280,871,000 (a decrease of \$2,386,000).

Brigandage has become rampant along the southern section of the Chinese Eastern Railway between Harbin and Changchun. The bandits work in parties along the railway, 5 or 10 versts from the railway on either side. They carry off the cereals in carts. Farmers have stopped sending produce to the railway.

The sad plight of the geisha has touched the hearts of the police of Amagasaki (near Osaka), says the "Japan Chronicle." These poor ladies have devoted themselves so well to the art of entertaining that they have not learned to sew or perform the simplest duties of a housewife. So the police propose that they should receive instruction three days each month. Besides, sewing and other arts which would be of value if they should leave the haunts of gaiety for the quiet of a home, morality is also to be taught to them. Later the kindly members of the force propose to extend similar benefits to waitresses and hotel maids. It is not recorded whether the ladies concerned are eager for these attentions. To release the "white slaves" from bondage would seem to demand more urgent attention from officials.

Captain Lugard has reported to the police the find of a small pearl necklace at Barker Road on Saturday morning.

The s.s. "Shing Ming" has returned to Hongkong without damage, after running aground on the Bar near Wuchow.

Another case of kidnapping has occurred in Chapel, a school boy, aged 7, being taken from school by a party of loafers who were armed with pistols. The boy has not yet been found.

A joki of the Wing Cheong firm, of 27 Shing Wong Street, is alleged to have absconded with 16 diamonds and three tacks of gold, the total value being given in the report as \$1,850.

Mr. J. Bullock, of the Dairy Farm, Pokfulam, reports to the police the loss of a loaded revolver, a silver watch and chain, and a quantity of coins from a drawer in his room.

A Smith and Wesson revolver was found yesterday at the back yard of No. 66, Des Voeux Road Central, apparently left there to be picked up later. The weapon was taken to the Central Police Station.

The signalling box at the foot of Garden Road was buffed into by the front wheel of a passing motor lorry. The Indian constable on duty was, thrown down and injured, necessitating his removal to hospital.

In attempting to escape from the Supervisor of the Botanical and Forestry Department, a Chinese, living at Kowloon Tsai, fell down a waterway. The man, who was injured in the fall, was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

A Chinese foreman of the P.W.D. was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with driving an unlicensed motor cycle, possessing no driver's licence, and with failing to report an accident. The accused was remanded until to-morrow for the appearance of Mr. A. D. Purves, of the same department.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The engagement is announced between Major Sidney B. Coates, M.C., 24th Bombay Grenadiers, K.E.O., son of the late Rev. G. A. A. Coates Penlee Gardens, Stoke, Plymouth, and Gwendolyn Carr, only child of Mr. and Mrs. H. Loft Williamson, Prestbury, Glos.

Passengers departing on Saturday by s.s. "Macedonia" for Home included Viscount Hinchinbrook, Mr. C. T. Beatty, Mr. W. M. Deyton, Miss Addis, Dr. G. M. and the Misses E. and B. Harston, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Macalpine, Commander C. W. Timson, O.B.E., R.N., Major B. Leicester, Captain H. W. Kenrick, and Sub-Lieuts. M. J. Evans, P. L. Saumarez, G. M. Sladen, and G. C. Phillips, of the Navy.

Mr. N. E. Marples, of the China Soap Co., Shanghai, together with Mrs. Marples, sailed on the Pacific Mail steamer "President Taft" to the United States, Mr. and Mrs. Marples are going on a trip of Europe.

The Rev. Laurence Hamilton Ker, missionary at Kirin, and Miss Katherine Margaret Manson, missionary at Wuhei Honan, will be married at Tientsin in February.

Among the passengers on the Pacific Mail s.s. "President Taft" for the United States was Mr. Adolph Spitzel, who is making his thirtieth trip across the Pacific on boats of the Pacific Mail line.

Mr. J. F. Buckley, Oriental manager for the Columbia Pacific Shipping Company, has resigned his position to become stockholder and managing director of the International Stevedoring Company of Kobe. He will take over his new duties at once. Mr. George Palmer has been promoted to district agent for the Columbia Pacific Shipping Company for Japan, Korea and Japan and Mr. E. H. Kirohoff, who filled Mr. Buckley's position in Kobe while the latter was in America on vacation, will perform the duties of Oriental manager from the Portland office of the firm. Mr. Buckley has been with the Columbia Pacific Shipping Company in the Orient for years, spending one year in Shanghai and the remaining three years in Kobe.

Surgeon Commander J. Whelan has been appointed to H.M.S. "Carlisle."

Dr. G. Montague Harston, who has had a breakdown in health, due to overwork, left for home on Saturday by the P. & O. steamer "Macedonia" accompanied by his two daughters.

The King has approved the appointment of Sir Eyre Huston, Governor of British Honduras, to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the colony of Fiji, and High Commissioner for the Western Pacific.

Miss B. M. F. Rudd, daughter of Mrs. George Rudd, of Stoneygate School, Leicester, has decided to take up missionary work in China and is due to sail from Home on January 30. She will go to Peking. Miss Rudd already has done much social work and has been particularly energetic in connection with the Girl Guides' movement, having acted as District Commissioner in Leicester.

The Minister of Labour has appointed Sir John Lorne MacLeod, G.B.E., LL.D., to be chairman of the Jute Trade Board (Great Britain), in succession to Professor J. B. Baillie, O.B.E., who resigned the chairmanship of the board upon his appointment as Vice-Chancellor of Leeds University.

Vice-Admiral Richard William White died at Exeter on December 4, at the age of 75. He was a grandson of Rear-Admiral Thomas White, K.H., of Buckfast Abbey, Devon, and the son of Admiral R. D. White, C.B. He had been promoted to sub-lieutenant when in 1874 he served in the cruiser "Charydis" during the operation in the Lingie and Lukat Rivers against Malays in the Straits of Malacca, for which he received the Perak medal with clasps. From February, 1884, to January, 1888, he was Assistant Director of Naval Ordnance, and in 1891, was promoted captain. From 1901 to 1908 he commanded the battleship "Ocean", which was transferred from the Mediterranean Fleet to the China Station. On his return he was appointed Superintendent of contract-built ships on the Tyne and Thames, retiring in February, 1909.

Passengers who left Shanghai for England in the P. & O. str. "Macedonia" included Miss Addis, Mr. C. T. Beatty, Mr. E. J. Bourne, Dr. and Mrs. W. Fleming and Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Ashley.

The Harrogate Chamber of Trade has protested against the "mobbing" of Princess Mary Viscountess Lascelles when she visits the town for shopping. It was stated that on her last visit a posse of police was necessary before the Princess could leave a shop.

Miss Carrie Wiley, sister of Mr. Louis Wiley, manager of the "New York Times," arrived in Japan on board the liner "Belgenland" last Saturday week. Miss Wiley is on a tour of the world and will spend some time in Japan during the stay of the "Belgenland."

It is the tradition of the Navy to go out without saying a word. Therefore I say nothing. This states a Sydney message, which the reply made to a telegram for a message by Viscount Jellicoe, who automatically retired from the Navy on reaching the age-limit.

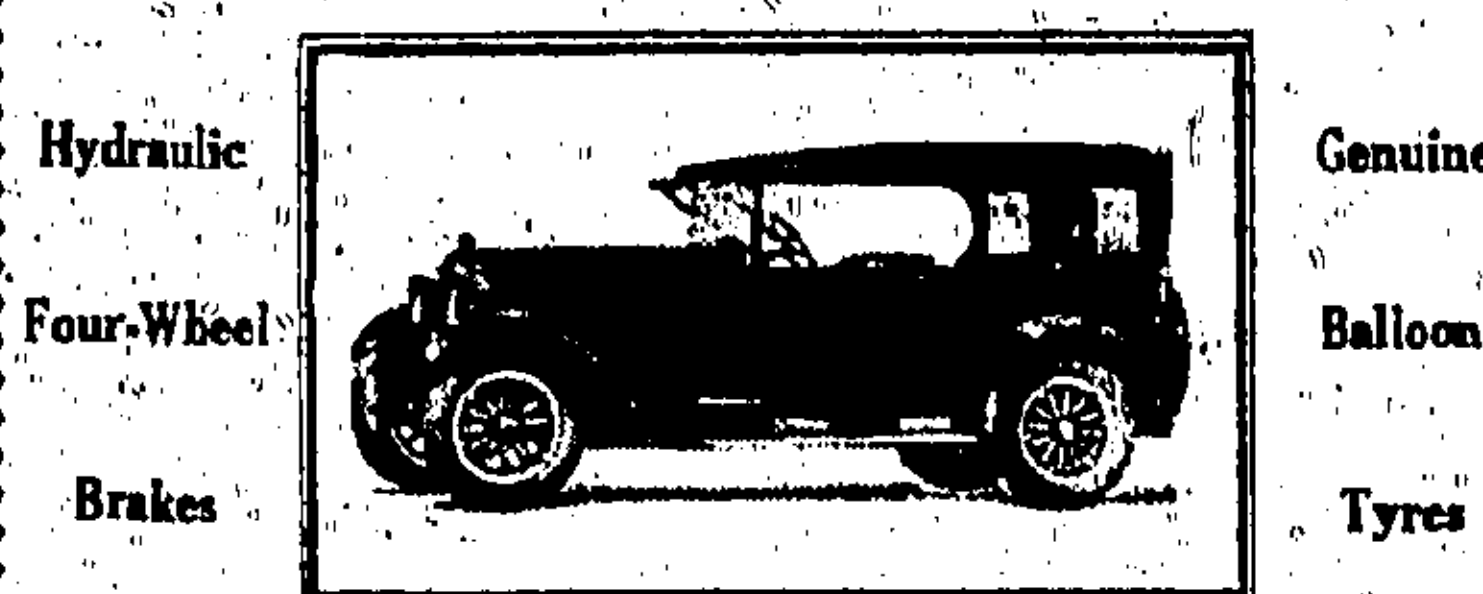
It is pleasant to hear, on medical authority, that absence from London, and the bracing air of Sandringham, have given back to Queen Alexandra much of her old health, and even improved her hearing a little. The Queen Mother thoroughly enjoyed her birthday, and her gracious smile radiated as serenely as ever. She still clings to one thoroughly Victorian habit. Nobody ever sees Queen Alexandra out of doors without her umbrella! She even took one to the Abbey wedding of her granddaughter.

Naval-Commander K. N. Humphreys, who has been deputy superintendent and King's harbourmaster at Sheerness since June, 1922, has been appointed to succeed Commander B. K. Boase as King's harbourmaster at Plymouth. Commander B. K. Boase has been appointed to the "Queen Elizabeth" flagship of Admiral Sir Osmond de B. Brock, Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station. Subsequently he will succeed Commander A. D. H. Dill.

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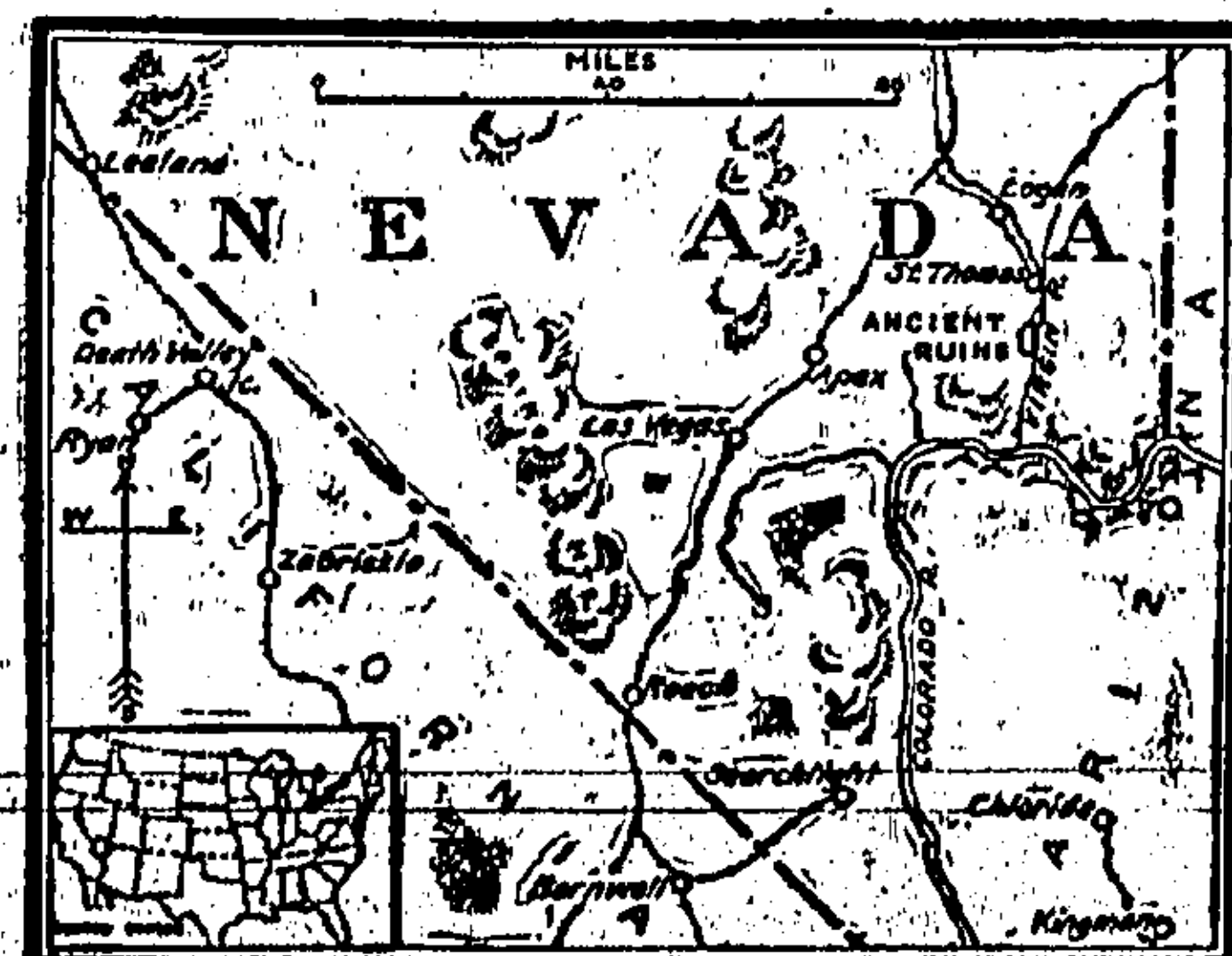
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historic relics have been found.

WEEK-END CRICKET.

CIVIL SERVICE LEAGUE VICTORY.

LOCAL "DERBY."

Division I.

C.C.C. v. C.S.C.C.

The Civil Service Cricket Club were the guests of the Craighower Cricket Club in a senior division league fixture, which resulted in a win for the visitors by 69 runs.

The innings of the C.S.C.C., realised 119 runs, which was made up of valuable contributions by C. Alexander (20), E. C. Fincher (39), and A. R. Sutherland (17). Fritz was most successful with the ball, securing four wickets for 30 runs.

The home side met with disaster from the beginning, losing one wicket for four runs, for 15; the sixth and seventh for 38; two more wickets for an additional six runs, and the last wicket with the total at 50. The deadly bowling and smart fielding of the opposition were responsible for the rout of the home side. In nearly five overs delivered by E. W. Hamilton, he secured a wicket in all but one over, the cost being only 14 runs. F. Baker secured the remarkable average of a wicket for no runs with all his three overs being maidens.

Scores follow—

C.S.C.C.

F. E. Lawrence, c. Basa b Fincher	9
F. J. de Rome, run out	5
F. Baker, b Reed	8
C. Alexander, b Abbas	20
E. C. Fincher, c Abbas, b Fritz	39
A. R. Sutherland, c Grimes	17
b Abbas	17
E. W. Hamilton, b Fritz	4
H. J. Wallington, b Fritz	3
F. H. Holdman, c Grimes, b Fritz	5
E. B. Reed, b W. Abbas	1
F. J. Ling, not out	4
Extras	4

Total (for 9 wkt. dec.) 119

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
E. C. Fincher	5	2	13
R. C. Reed	5	0	28
Abbas	8	0	39
Fritz	7	0	30

C.C.C.

D. Fritz, b Ling	10
R. Basa, b Reed	4
R. C. Reed, st. Holdman, b Ling	4
S. Abbas, c Hamilton, b Ling	2
T. Grimes, c Alexander, b Hamilton	12
E. F. Fincher, b Hamilton	9
A. Kitchell, b W. Hamilton	1
M. Pinna, run out	0
Y. Abbas, b W. Baker	0
E. Mowfung, not out	1
F. Schnepel, b Hamilton	5
Extras	6

Total 50

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
E. B. Reed	8	2	11
Ling	6	1	10
Hamilton	4	0	14
Baker	3	3	0

UNIVERSITY v. E. SURREYS.

The following are the scores of the 1st Division League match between the University and the East Surreys played on the University Ground at Pokfulam—

Surreys

Pte. Holliday, c Ponsonby	60
Pte. Wood, st. Ponsonby	8
Pte. Fane, b Rumjahn	8
Pte. Davies, c Yeoh, b Rumjahn	5
Lt. Chidson, b Balhatchet	83
Lt. Allfree, b Quick	37
Capt. Carpenter, b Balhatchet	7
Capt. Rowe, b Quick	1
Pte. Cheesman, not out	3
Pte. Lacey, not out	6
Pte. Schnepel, did not bat	4

Total (8 wickets dec.) 223

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Balhatchet	11	1	45
Rumjahn	11	1	81
Shahabudin	8	1	23
Quick	6	1	21
Youngsaye	3	0	23
Holliday	2	0	26

University

A. A. Rumjahn, b W. English	72
Rev. E. K. Quick, not out	83
H. N. Balhatchet, not out	6
A. Hoalim, b Rowe	28
Extras	10

Total (for 2 wickets) 199

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Rowe	13	0	60
Wood	1	0	17
Carpenter	2	0	19
English	7	0	35
Clark	5	0	33
Alfred	4	0	25

I.R.C. v. NAVY.

The senior team of the Royal Navy were visitors on the Indian Recreation Club ground in a senior division League match, and owing to call of time the game ended in a draw.

Batting first, the Navy had six

wickets down for 73 runs. With the arrival of Lt. Com. Bower to partner Pay Lt. Com. Hargreaves, some good hitting produced 91 runs, when the latter was smartly stumped by S. A. Ismail, his score just passing the half century. A little later Bower, who had scored 39, gave a catch in the out-field, which was well taken by S. H. Ismail.

At call of time the I.R.C. had made 155 runs for four wickets, requiring only 15 runs to win. Bhoora although he was not so successful with the ball on this occasion, came out top scorer with 40. Curreen (23) Ismail (28), and Madar (36), also adding considerably to the total. F. M. el Arculli, four wickets for 17 runs, secured three of them in maiden overs.

Scores:

Navy.

Com. Jotham, b W. A. el Arculli	7
Lt. Abelson, c S. H. Ismail, b F. M. el Arculli	21
Lt. Wauchope, b Bhoora	7
Capt. Lake, c A. el Arculli, b F. M. el Arculli	27
Capt. Mercer, c A. el Arculli, b F. M. el Arculli	1
Pay Lt. Com. Hargreaves, st. S. A. Ismail, b A. el Arculli	54
Col. Cantrell, b F. M. el Arculli	1
Lt. Com. Bower, c S. H. Ismail, b Bhoora	39
Lt. Hussey, not out	2
Lt. Nicholson, b Bhoora	2
Extras	8

Total (for 9 wkt. dec.) 169

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Bhoora	12	1	59
A. el Arculli	8	1	38
F. M. el Arculli	7	4	17
Omar	6	2	28
H. D. Rumjahn	3	0	19

I.R.C.

C. H. Bhoora, c Nicholson, b Hargreaves	40
A. H. Rumjahn, b Cantrell	4
J. S. A. Curreen, c Jotham, b Hargreaves	23
S. H. Ismail, c Lake, b Hargreaves	28
A. H. Madar, not out	36
U. M. Omar, not out	12
Extras	12

Total (for 4 wks.) 155

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Cantrell	15	2	51
Mercer	4	0	20
Hargreaves	13	1	58
Hussey	2	0	14

Division II.

KOWLOON v. NAVY.

At Kowloon the local Cricket Club second team were opposed by the Navy, the match being remarkable for the able batting of the visitors, who won easily by 123 runs.

Kowloon batted first, Kew and Gorvin facing the bowling of Davenport and Lockhart, but half the wickets fell for only 29 runs. Hindle attempted to relieve the position with 17 runs, but he got no support, and the whole side was out for 62. Davenport was responsible for six wickets and Lockhart for four.

The naval men responded with a rattling good display and passed the Kowloon score before three wickets had fallen. Mid. Dickens was the star player, amassing 64, which included nine fours, before he was run out. Com. Barratt scored 26, including a quartette of fours (three in succession), whilst Lieut. Gush, Lieut. Guild, Capt. Hopwood, and Lieut. Com. Lockhart all had double figures. No fewer than eight Kowloon players had a try at bowling, but they could not prevent the Naval team running up a total of 175 runs.

L. A. R. Duncan, of Kowloon, met with a nasty mishap whilst wicket-keeping, receiving a ball right on the mouth, cutting the inside of his lip. He had to retire from the game.

Scores:

Kowloon

A. J. Kew, c Hopwood, b Lockhart	0
W. F. J. Gorvin, b Davenport	8
A. A. Dand, b Davenport	14
L. A. R. Duncan, b Davenport	1
R. J. B. Masters, b Lockhart	3
J. Fraser, b Davenport	3
J. H. Hindle, c Hopwood, b Davenport	17
C. Earnshaw, c Barratt, b Davenport	4
O. B. Raven, b Lockhart	0
A. G. Renton, b Lockhart	8
B. Petheram, not out	2
Extras	3

Total 26

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Davenport	12	2	23
Lockhart	11	2	36

Navy

Lieut. Gush, c Petheram, b slow	19
Mid. Dickens, run out	64
Lieut. Gould, b Hindle	11
Capt. Hopwood, c Gorvin, b Raven	12
Com. Barratt, b Kew	26
Mid. Slimes, c Dand, b Gorvin	6
Lieut. Edmundstone, b Kew	4

Eng. Lieut. Bennett, b w.	7
Gorvin	4
Mid. Smyth, b Kew	6
Capt. Davenport, b Gorvin	12
Lieut. Com. Lockhart, not out	12
Extras	14
Total	195

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Gorvin	14	2	36
Fraser	4	0	27
Hindle	4	1	14
Petheram	3	0	15
Raven	4	0	19
Dand	2	0	15
Earnshaw	2	0	12
Kew	5	0	33

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

HONGKONG v. KOWLOON.

The Hongkong Cricket Club, on their own ground, were at home to the seniors of the Kowloon Cricket Club, the latter tasting defeat to the tune of 198 runs.

Kowloon went to the wicket first, but could do little or nothing right, thanks to the bowling of More and Walker. Only three batsmen could get into double figures, and the innings closed for only 76 runs, of which "Mr. Extras" was responsible for 11. More took five wickets, Walker three, and Young one.

Hongkong opened with a piece of bad luck in getting one man out for six runs, but thereafter they played steadily and confidently. Pearce, eighth man in, carried off his bat for 40, which included six fours and a sixer whilst Hancock won up a total of 55, which included nine fours and a couple of sixes. Matthews also won with 38 to his credit (including five fours). In the end Hongkong scored 174 runs, thus winning by 98. Lyal was the most effective of Kowloon's bowlers, taking a few fewer than eight.

Scores:

A. W. Ramsay, c Young, b More	15
M. C. W. Mitchell, b More	4
S. J. C. Stewart, b More	10
G. Lee, c Matthews, b Walker	12
J. C. Lyal, not out	5
F. Goodwin, c Humphreys, b Walker	1
A. R. F. Raven, not out	3
E. J. Edwards, b More	0
H. Overy, c Crutch, b Walker	0
J. C. Saunders, b More	6
E. J. Jordan, c and b Young	9
Extras	11

Total 76

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Walker	10	2	22
More	11	3	35
Young	15	1	8

Hongkong

E. F. Stewart, b Lyal	0
Col. E. D. Matthews, c Jordan, b Lyal	38
G. R. More, c Edwards, b Lyal	3
J. D. Humphreys, c Jordan, b Lee	8
G. H. Piercy, b Lyal	10
Capt. R. F. Walker, b Lyal	2
J. H. Crutch, b Lyal	0
T. E. Pearce, not out	40
R. H. B. Hancock, c Lee, b Overy	56
W. Galloway, c Jordan, b Lyal	2
F. M. Young, b Lyal	2
Extras	10

Total 174

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
F. Goodwin	8	0	48
J. C. Lyal	15	1	42
G. Lee	6	0	27
H. Overy	2	0	17

C.R.C. v. R.A.

The R. A. proved too strong for the Chinese at Causeway Bay on Saturday. The home team were decisively defeated by a margin of 104 runs. Hall (22), Henslowe (50) and Bennett (21) were the chief scorers for the soldiers who knocked up the useful total of 163 runs. The Chinese replied with only 59, Young being the only player to reach double figures with 23 to his credit.

Scores:

Capt. Bensley, b H. C. Hung	1
Lieut. Hall, c Choa, b Ching	22
Capt. Parkes, c and b Ching	17
Lieut. Henslowe, b H. C. Hung	50
Capt. Bennett, c Young, b H. C. Hung	21
Lieut. Smith, c W. Hung, b H. C. Hung	12
Sgt. Gifford, c Ng Sze-kwong	1
Ching	10
Gr. Clayton, c W. Hung, b Ng Sze-kwong	3
Mr. Gr. Rough, c Ng Sze-kwong	15
Gr. Jackson, b Ching	0
Gr. Dyer, not out	3
Extras	3

Total 163

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Ching	14	1	54
W. Hung	3	0	16
Ng Sze-kwong	9	0	49
H. C. Hung	6	0	41

C.R.C.

Ng Sze-kwong, c Hall, b Henslowe	0
W. Hung, c Clayton	0
C. Choa, b Henslowe	0
C. Sze-kwong, b Clayton	0
H. L. Yung, c Hall, b Gifford	23
H. C. Hung, b Gifford	1
E. L. Chan, b Clayton	4
H. Ching, c Hall, b Gifford	0

BOXING.

R.N. AND R.M. TOURNAMENT.

The championship meeting of the Royal Navy and Royal Marine Boxing Association was brought to a conclusion on Saturday night at the Murray Barracks in the presence of a large crowd of onlookers.

The results were as under:

Bantam-Weight.

Marine Doherty (Hawkins) defeated A. B. Werkman (Durban). Feather-Weight.

Sig. Rogers (Stonecutters W/T) defeated Mne. Townsend (Titania). Light-Weight.

Ldg. Tel. Emerson (Marazion) defeated Sto. Lee (Hawkins). Sto. Dove (S/M L.L.) defeated A. B. Castle (Hawkins). In the final "Emerson" won from Dove.

Welter-Weight.

Ldg. Sto. Piper (S/M L88) knocked out Ldg. Sto. Penfold (Titania).

Mne. Betts (Hawkins) prevailed over a shipmate in Sto. Brown. A. B. Ringham (Iroquois) defeated A. B. Sparkes (Bluebell). Betts accounted for Piper, and so met Ringham in the final. A stern tussle ensued, Betts looking a winner all over, till Ringham was disqualified.

Middle-Weight.

Sto. Booth (Hollyhook) knocked out A. B. Bell (Ambrose). A. B. Pearce (Hawkins) triumphed over C. P. O. Joyce (Iroquois).

In the final Booth disposed of Pearce.

Light Heavy Weight.

Sub-Lt. Gibson (Hawkins) defeated Mid. Kinloch (Despatch). After the last fight the prizes were presented in the ring by the Chief-of-Staff (Capt. W. J. C. Lake, R.N.).

C.E. Wong, c Clayton, b Smith

P. S. Wong, b Smith

Wan Iushing, not out

Extras

Total 50

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Henslowe	6	1	17
Clayton	8	1	25
Gifford	4	1	7
Smith	2	0	6

C.S.C.C. II. v. UNIVERSITY II.

In the above friendly match on the C.S.C.C. ground, the result was a win for the home team, which knocked up 156 runs. A feature of the innings was the double figure scores reached by almost all the batsmen.

The visitors, who had six of their wickets down for 73 runs, were only able to add another two runs for the remaining four wickets. Zimmern (23) was scoring fast, and an intended sixer fell short and was brilliantly held by Cullip.

Scores:

W. Cullip, c Barma, b Lam	10
H. Strange, c Barma, b Lam	16
F. L. Squibbs, c Vicaeja, b Osman	23
J. H. B. Nihill, c & b Lam	10
T. D. E. Pendered, c Vicaeja, b Osman	13
C. Beardall, run out	36
W. H. Edmonds, c Kasanjia, b Osman	27
A. W. Grimmit, c Sling, b Sudan	11
R. Smith, b Sudan	0
C. Sara, b Lam	1
G. H. Hallam, not out	2
Extras	7

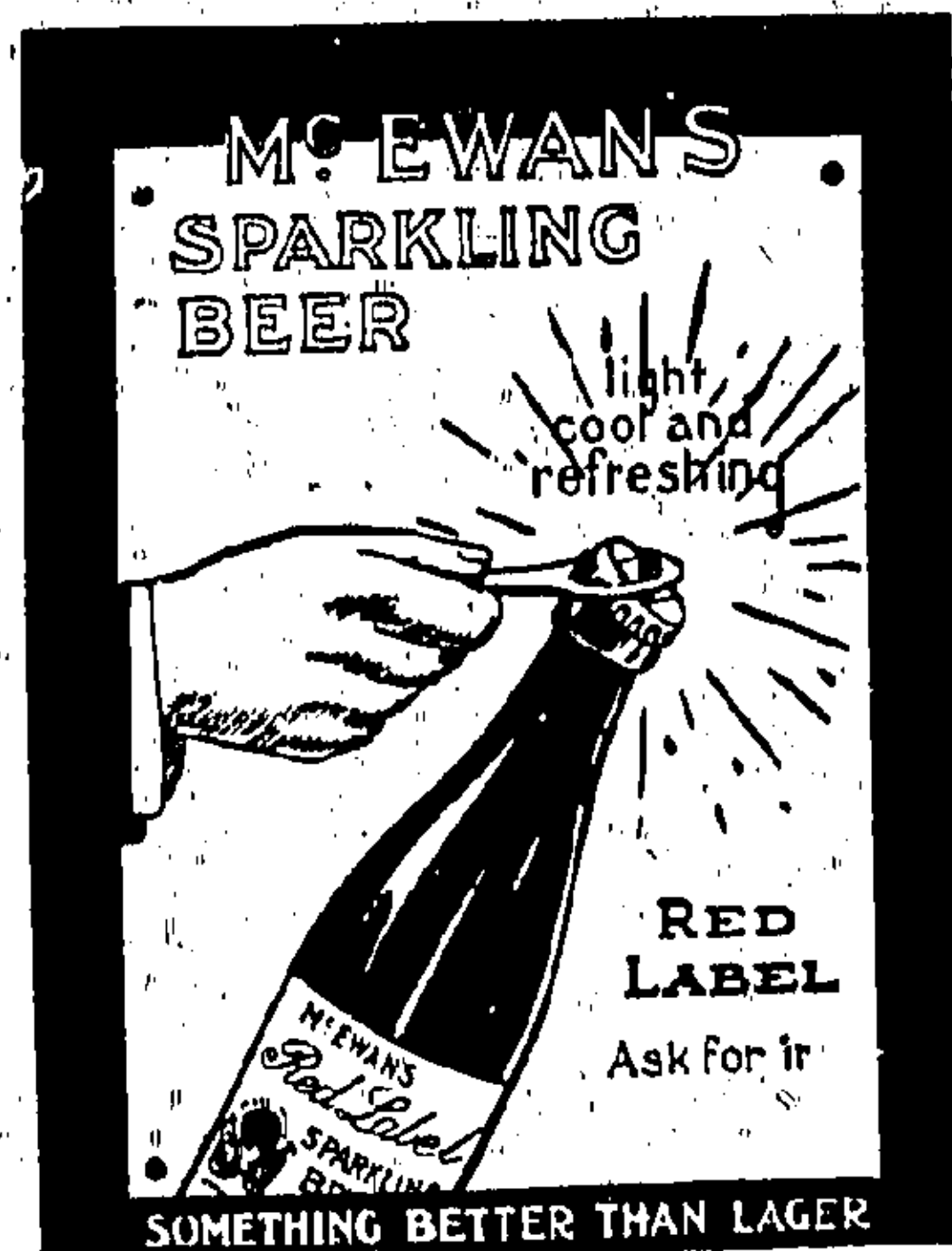
Total 156

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Lam	13	2	45
Sudan	11	3	23
Osman	5	0	34
Vicaeja	3	0	26
Zimmern	3	0	21

University II.

E. Zimmern, c Cullip, b Sara	23
A. T. M. Barma, run out	1



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Gigantic Swindler.



LEO KORETZ, NYC.

When arrested in Halifax, Leo Koretz, who swindled his friends and relatives out of more than \$400,000, was wearing a full beard. Since his arrest he has shaved it off.

Wins Prize.



"Winter Marvillon" won the prize at the cat silver show.

Saw Lincoln Shot.



HARRY C. WOLFORD

Harry C. Wolford, eighty-one, probably the oldest telegraph messenger "boy" in the world, has for the past four years been delivering messages in the downtown district in Washington. He was in Ford's Theatre there the night President Lincoln was assassinated.

DOWAGER QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.



DOWAGER QUEEN ALEXANDRA

Dowager Queen Alexandra has just celebrated her eightieth birthday anniversary in London and from all parts of the Empire came messages of congratulation and good cheer.

FIGURES IN THE NEWS SPOTLIGHT.



Below: MRS. LYDIA LOCKS MARKS & JOHN HENRY WHITLEY

Controller of the Currency, Mr. H. M. Dawes, brother of the Vice-President-elect, has resigned. Recently divorced from Arthur Marks, head of the Skinner Organ Company, Mrs. Lydia Locks Marks, has been married for the fourth time. Thomas W. Lawson, author of "Frenzied Finance," now poor and living in a modest retreat, is seriously ill, and a nurse has been sent to give him insulin treatment. The new House of Commons unanimously elected Mr. John Henry Whitley as Speaker. He has held that post since April, 1921.

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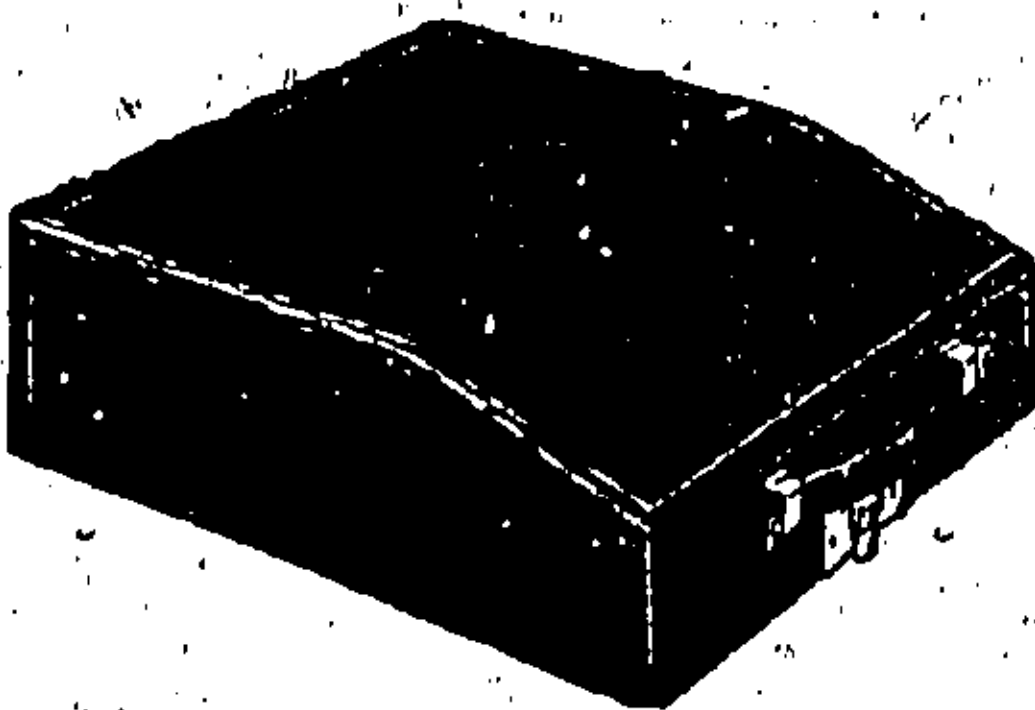
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